

We claim:

1. A method for triggering an immunogenic response to an immunogen in a patient or subject comprising: transdermally delivering an antigen to the Langerhans cells of the skin, whereby at least a portion of said transdermal delivery occurs in pulses.
2. A method for triggering an immunogenic response to an immunogen in a patient or subject comprising: transdermally delivering an antigen and an adjuvant to the Langerhans cells of the skin, whereby at least a portion of said transdermal delivery occurs in pulses.
3. A method for eliciting an improved immunogenic response to an immunogen in a patient or subject comprising: transdermally delivering an antigen to the Langerhans cells of the skin, whereby at least a portion of said transdermal delivery occurs in pulses.
4. A method for eliciting an improved immunogenic response to an immunogen in a patient or subject comprising: transdermally delivering an antigen and an adjuvant to the Langerhans cells of the skin, whereby at least a portion of said transdermal delivery occurs in pulses.
5. The method of claim 1, 2, 3, or 4, wherein the antigen is delivered in pulses.
6. The method of claim 2 or 4, wherein the adjuvant is delivered in pulses.
7. The method of claim 1, 2, 3, or 4, wherein the antigen is delivered in a continuous bolus.
8. The method of claim 2 or 4, wherein the adjuvant is delivered in a continuous bolus.

9. The method of claim 1, 2, 3, or 4, wherein said delivery lasts between 1 to 3 hours.
10. The method of claim 1, 2, 3, or 4, wherein each of said pulses lasts between 1 to 30 minutes.
11. A method for treating herpes attacks in a patient or subject comprising: applying the method of claim 1, 2, 3, or 4 every four hours for two days.
12. A method for treating allergy attacks in a patient or subject comprising: applying the method of claim 1, 2, 3, or 4 for two hours once every three weeks.
13. A method for treating cancer in a patient or subject comprising: applying the method of claim 1, 2, 3, or 4 for 1 to 8 hours over a period of from 1 to 7 days at intervals of from 1 to 3 months extending over a period of from 1 to 3 years.